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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

Embassy of India and Davendra Singh

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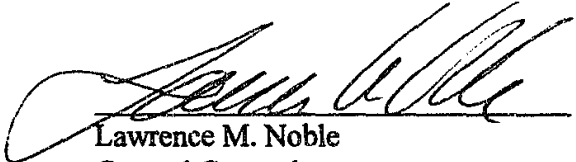
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**GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT**

In the General Counsel's Report dated February 20, 1997, this Office informed the Commission of correspondence and discussions with the United States Department of State, Office of the Legal Adviser, regarding this matter and of the Department of State's intent to approach representatives of the Embassy to encourage them to cooperate voluntarily with the Commission's investigation.

Since then, the Office of the Legal Adviser has informed this Office that the India Desk Officer met informally with Minister Wajahat Habibullah at the Embassy to discuss this matter and that this was followed by a diplomatic note which the Department of State sent to the Embassy on March 25, 1997. Attachment 1. The Department of State has advised us that diplomatic notes are confidential and should not be further disseminated. Because it has been three weeks since the note was sent and four months since this Office received a response from the Embassy, this Office intends to send the Embassy a letter requesting that it provides a response by April 25, 1997. Attachment 2.

4/18/97  
Date

  
Lawrence M. Noble  
General Counsel

**Attachment**

1. Diplomatic Note from State Department, dated March 25, 1997
2. Letter to Embassy of India

**Staff Assigned: Dominique Dillenseger**

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